

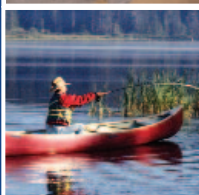
America's Waterway Watch
is a national awareness
program that asks those
who work, live, or recreate
on or near the water to be
aware of suspicious activity
that might indicate threats
to our country's
homeland security.

Americans are urged to
adopt a heightened
sensitivity toward unusual
events or individuals they
may encounter in or around
ports, docks, marinas,
riversides, beaches, or
communities.

Anyone observing
suspicious activity is simply
asked to note details and
contact the National
Response Center's Hotline at
800-424-8802 or
877-24WATCH.

For immediate danger to life
or property call 9-1-1.

What is "suspicious activity"?
Check inside.



To Report Suspicious Activities
Call the National Response Center

800-424-8802
or
877-24WATCH

For Immediate Danger
to Life or Property

911

Information Gathering Form

Date of incident: _____

Time observed: _____

Location: _____

Incident observed: _____

For More Information Please Visit
AmericasWaterwayWatch.org



For additional information contact:



Help Keep
America's
Waterways
Safe and
Secure



What to Look For

Where to Look

America's coasts, rivers, bridges, tunnels, ports, ships, military bases, and waterside industries may be the terrorists' next targets.

Waterway security is better than ever.

But with more than 95,000 miles of shoreline, more than 290,000 square miles of water and approximately 70 million recreational boats in the United States, the U.S. Coast Guard and local first responders can't do the job alone.

Many Americans have asked, "How can I help?"

This is how.

Be aware of suspicious activity, particularly near the locations listed to the right, including:

- People appearing to be engaged in surveillance of any kind (note taking, shooting video/photos, making sketches, or asking questions).
- Recovering or tossing items into/onto the waterway or shoreline.
- Unattended vessels or vehicles in unusual locations.
- Lights flashing between boats.
- Unusual diving activity.
- Unusual number of people onboard.
- Unusual night operations.
- Operating in or passing through an area that does not typically have such activity.
- Fishing/hunting in locations not typically used for those activities.
- Missing fencing or lighting near sensitive locations.
- Anchoring in an area not typically used for anchorage.
- Transfer of people or things between ships or between ship and shore.
- Anyone operating in an aggressive manner.
- Individuals establishing businesses or road-side food stands near sensitive locations.
- Small planes flying over critical areas.
- People attempting to buy or rent fishing or recreational vessels with cash for short-term, undefined use.

Watch for vessels and individuals in sensitive locations:

- Under and around bridges, tunnels, or overpasses.
- Near commercial areas or services like ports, fuel docks, cruise ships, or marinas.
- Near industrial facilities like power plants and oil, chemical, or water intake facilities.
- Near military bases and vessels, other government facilities, or security zones.



What to Do

Secure and lock your boat when not on board. Take the keys. Disable the engine on stored or trailered boats, and make sure the boat is not easily moved.

Do not approach or challenge anyone acting in a suspicious manner. Call the National Response Center at **800-424-8802, 877-24WATCH or 911.**